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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted:

Under 37 CFR §1.97(b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

Under 37 CFR §1.97(c) together with either:

a statement under 37 CFR §1.97(e), or

a fee under 37 CFR §1.17(p)

(after the 37 CFR §1.97(b) time period, but before the mailing date of a final Action, a Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution).

Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1): The undersigned states that each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement.

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 CFR § 1.56 to inform the Patent Office of all patents, publications, applications and other information known by Applicants or Applicants' representative that may be material to the examination of the subject application, Applicants' representative hereby provides this Information Disclosure Statement that is prepared in accordance with 37 CFR §§ 1.97-1.98 and includes Form PTO-1449 with twenty-four (24) references listed as items AA - AX.

Copies of the items listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are enclosed.

Concise Explanation of Relevance

Items AU, AV, AW and AX listed on the Form PTO-1449 are not in the English language.

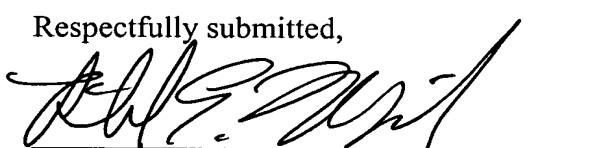
A concise explanation of the relevance of items AU, AV and AW is in the form of a copy of a Japanese "Notification of Reasons for Refusal" dispatched on September 10, 2002, from a foreign patent office and issued in a counterpart foreign application for related U.S. application serial no. 09/765,871, which refers to the references. The Japanese "Notification of Reasons for Refusal" is listed as item AX and a copy is included herewith. An English-language translation of portions of the Japanese "Notification of Reasons for Refusal" is also included herewith.

In addition, item AU serves as a priority document for item AE which is in the English language, and item AU and AV include an English language abstract.

It is requested that the information provided herein be made of record in this application.

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